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NF3I -- Scott Rosenfeld

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policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

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Attention Scott Rosenfeld, NF3I, in Maryland. Please E-mail me.

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Subject : Re: Neighborhood watch groups

nu7i@indirect.com (Darrell Shandrow) writes:

>The neighborhood watch is a great application of amateur radio. I don't
>think that it is necessary to get permission from a repeater group before
>using it on such an event. This is even if that repeater is the local
>chat box. We must remember that amateur radio is a service first and a
>chat box secondly or maybe even chatting should be as low as the third or
>least important levels.

As an owner of repeaters (ie, part owner of Northlink), I strongly disagree. ANYTIME you plan to regularly use a repeater for a net, you should ask permission of the owner.

If a block watch group showed up on Northlink regularly, we would ask them to leave (or system is statewide). If a block watch group shows up on ANY repeater, they are likely to be asked to leave. The repeater wasn't set up for block watch. If you ask the owner AHEAD of time, he might agree, if it isn't incompatible with the intended use of the repeater.

And before you flame me about the public service aspect of ham radio, let me remind you that there are MANY different aspects of ham radio, and some repeaters may exist for a very specific function (such as DX spotting). Furthermore, other public service/safety functions that you don't even know about may be going on. For example, one Northlink repeater was put in specifically at the request of the National Weather Service for skywarn. If we have a big storm going, we don't want a bunch of neighborhood watchers on their reporting that everything is normal!

A repeater belongs to someone. If you want to use it for YOUR group, on a regular bases, ASK. It's only common courtesy.

>I participate in a walk with my blindness organization and we don't seek
>permission since we don't know really whether or not we'll need the use of
>a repeater. Of course, I probably wouldn't break into a busy repeater but
>I figure anyone who wouldn't want us to do a public service event with
>their repeater better have a legitimate service-related reason. 73 for
>now.

You really don't understand private property rights, apparently.

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